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Fisheries (Foreign aid)

* 1601 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) Whether any foreign aid is received for the development of fisheries; and

(*b*) if so, the details thereof?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON: (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) Foreign aid is received in the following forms:—

(i) Technical assistance from foreign experts who are assigned for specific periods to instruct and train our personnel in modern methods and techniques in subjects relating to development of fisheries, e.g., fishing boats, fishing gear, under-water exploration, naval architecture, fishing harbours, deep-sea fishing, fish marketing, etc.

(ii) Technical training given to our personnel in foreign countries in advanced methods and techniques in subjects relating to fishery development like canning, freezing, processing of fish, fish-culture, marine fishery, organization of training centres, marine foods, marketing craft and tackle, etc.

(iii) Equipment like hooks, wires, nylon twines, nets, marine engines, ice plants, cold storage units, winches, etc.

SRI N. K. PALANISAMI: May I know why the Government have not taken any steps to purchase trawlers for deep-sea fishing?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON: We are just now using pablo boats and the Government are considering whether they should have deep-sea vessels?

SRI A. A. RASHEED: May I know the number of fishing harbours so far constructed with this aid?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON: For fishing harbours so far we have not received aid and we have not constructed any fishing harbour.

DEPUTY SPEAKER: As the Hon. Minister for Home wants to leave early, with the permission of the House, I shall now take up questions to be answered by him.

Fishermen—Migration to Andhra State

* 1648 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMI: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) Whether any fishermen families in Singavel town, Ponneri taluk, have migrated the town and have taken refuge in the Andhra State due to harassment by the Police; and

(*b*) if so, whether the Government have conducted any enquiry in the matter?